



August 2026 Grower Bulletin

WATER ALLOCATION UPDATE & IMPORTANT 218 ELECTION NOTICE

Growers within the Ivanhoe Irrigation District are strongly encouraged to make full use of their surface water allocation this season due to the Friant-Kern Canal shutdown and possible flood conditions from a Super El Nino event. Please coordinate with the office or your fellow IID growers to utilize our allocation.

218 Informational Grower Meeting

Growers are encouraged to **attend the upcoming grower meeting, held at 4:00pm in the Ivanhoe Memorial Hall, on September 14th**. Expect to learn more about the upcoming 218 election, and why increasing assessments secures landowner investments within the District.

Remaining Allocation

The District has over 10,000 acre-feet of water supply remaining this year. It is vital to the future success of the District that we use our allocation when it is available. Pumping reduces our groundwater supply for dry years and puts the District at risk of not complying with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

This Year at a Glance

2026 Allocation	1.08 ac-ft / acre (Increased 0.04 at July Board Meeting)
2026 Water Rate	\$280.00/ac-ft
Carryover	5% of 2026 allocation
Water Supply Remaining	Approximately 10,000 ac-ft
Friant-Kern Canal Outage	Down for maintenance November – February
Grower Meeting	September 14 th – 4:00pm at the Ivanhoe Memorial Hall

Why It's Important to Use Your Water Now

- The Friant-Kern Canal will be shut down for maintenance from November through February, limiting delivery options during that window.
- Based on current projections, deliveries are running behind schedule, which is on pace to leave landowners with a large amount of carryover.
- Carryover storage in Millerton Reservoir is not guaranteed – flood conditions will spill carryover storage.

- **Growers must return any unused District allocated water no later than September 14, 2026. All returns must be coordinated with District office staff by this date.**

Winter 2026-2027 Outlook

Current forecasts show a high likelihood of a strong El Nino/Super El Nino event occurring this winter. Historical Super El Nino events have caused flood conditions due to above average precipitation (Winters 82'-83' and 97'-98' were both Super El Nino events). **This is further emphasis to utilize your allocation to reduce any carryover that can be spilled this winter.**

How to Request Water Delivery

We're glad to help you make the most of your allocation before the canal outage begins. Contact the District office to schedule your delivery or check your remaining allocation and carryover balance. Our staff can help you plan deliveries around your irrigation schedule.

Tuesday – Saturday Deliveries	Must be received by 8:00am the day prior to delivery
Sunday – Monday Deliveries	Must be received by 12:00pm on the preceding Friday
Delivery Options	24 Hours/email: waterorders@ivanhoeid.org
Payment Options	Cash / Check / Credit Card (3% processing fee)

Contact Us

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